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Title: A MANUFACTURING METHOD AND SOFTWARE PRODUCT FOR  
OPTIMIZING INFORMATION FLOW

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IN PATENT APPLICATION**

As the inventors of the invention disclosed in the patent application entitled A  
MANUFACTURING METHOD AND SOFTWARE PRODUCT FOR OPTIMIZING  
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I believe that we are the original, first and sole inventors of the subject matter that is  
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METHOD AND SOFTWARE PRODUCT FOR OPTIMIZING INFORMATION FLOW, the  
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